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## REV. GEORGE SEDDON GRESHAM

## Hours of Worship

Sunday	
Holy Communion 8:00	A. M.
Sunday School 9:45	A. M.
Morning Prayer and Sermon	A. M.
Young People's Service League 7:00	
Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the	
month at	A. M.
and on Prayer Book Holy Days at10:30	

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SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH Goldsboro, N. C. Parish Founded in 1853. Church Built in 1856.

## Church Officiary

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Rector—Rev. George S. Gresham.

Lay Reader—Mr. George C. Royall.

Vestry—Mr. George C. Royall, Senior Warden;

Mr. Ben. King, Junior Warden; Mr. E. G.

Porter, Secretary; Mr. H. F. Lee, Treasurer;

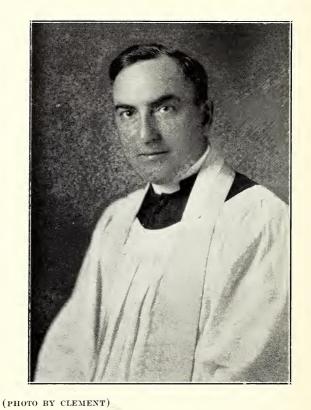
Mr. B. L. Meade, Mr. W. P. Lynch, Mr. Kenneth

C. Royall, Mr. J. E. F. Hicks, Dr. J. N. Johnson,

Mr. Hugh Dortch, Mr. D. Wilburn Davis, Mr.

James T. Jeffreys.

Vestry meets on the First Sunday of each month at ...... 8:00 P.M.



REV. GEORGE SEDDON GRESHAM

## Church Organizations

#### X

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH
Mrs. John E. F. Hicks
Mrs. Wm. H. Smith
Mrs. James Jeffreys Secretary
Mrs. J. W. Nash
Miss Lula Walker Educational Secretary
Mrs. Frank Fagan
Mrs. Henry CarrawayChristian Social Chairman
Mrs. Kennon Borden United Thank Offering Custodian
Mrs. Easley PaceAltar Guild President
St. Stephen's Guild Mrs. W. P. Lynch
Mrs. Henry Carraway Secretary-Treasurer
Mis. Henry Carrawaysecretary-freasmer
St. Agnes' Guild
Mrs. B. F. MeadeChairman
Mrs. A. W. Falkener Secretary-Treasurer
St. Mary's Guild
Mrs. Talbot PatrickGeneral Chairman
Mrs. William RoyallReligious Chairman
Miss Elizabeth Smith Secretary-Treasurer
TIME OF MEETINGS
Anviliany First Monday of each month

Auxiliary, First Monday of each month. Guilds, Second Monday of each month.

#### MISS SUE COLLIER

Miss Sue Collier is the oldest member of Saint Stephen's Parish. She was born in Everettsville, a few miles from Goldsboro and lived there until her family moved to Goldsboro in 1870. Altho living in Everettsville her family were all regular attendants at the services in Saint Stephen's from its very beginning. Miss Sue remembers well seeing her father and Mr. Collier carry the collection plates to the bishop at the first service held in this church. All through her life Miss Sue has been a regular and useful member of this parish. She was for many years the president of the local branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, until appointed in 1904 by Bishop Watson, secretary of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary.

Always Faithful



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MISS SUE COLLIER

#### GEORGE C. ROYALL

For two generations Mr. Royall has played an important part in the life of Saint Stephen's Parish. From early youth he was interested in the church and its work, taking an active part in its Sunday School and other activities.

In 1881, shortly after his twenty-first birthday, Mr. Royall became Superintendent of the Sunday School and this position he held until his resignation in 1919. It was also in 1881 that he was elected a member of the Vestry, and in this capacity he has served up to this time—a period of more than half a century.

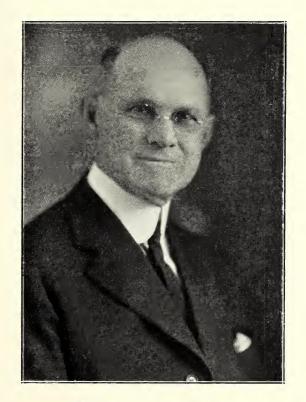
of more than half a century.
Since 1912 he has been Senior Warden of the Parish, and for twenty-seven years prior to that, Secretary and

Treasurer of the Parish.

Since Mr. Royall first served as a delegate to the Diocesan Convention—also in 1881—he has taken a leading part in the work of the Diocese. He has served on the Diocesan Finance Committee since 1905 and has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Saint Mary's School since 1906. He was elected and has served as one of the four lay delegates of the Diocese to the General Convention of the Church in 1916, 1919, 1925, 1928, and 1931.

In the performance of these duties Mr. Royall has shown that his first interest was for Saint Stephen's and its congregation. Informally and unofficially every rector of the church has looked to Mr. Royall for assistance and counsel; and the bishops of the diocese, particularly Bishop Strange and Bishop Darst numbered him among their chief

advisors in the work of the Diocese.



MR. GEORGE C. ROYALL

## The Choirs

X

SENIOR CHOIR Mrs. H. C. SelbyOrganist
Mrs. F. L. Castex Miss Rosalie Mong Mrs. Wm. A. Royall Mrs. S. B. Berkley Mr. John Hicks Mrs. Rov Parker Mrs. Wr. V. P. Lynch Miss Mary Michaux Mrs. Ben. F. Meade Mr. S. Bruce Berkley Mr. C. H. Pfohl
Choir Rehearsals
Easley Pace James Davis Harry Hundley Wiley Smith John Hicks
JUNIOR CHOIR
Mrs. S. Bruce Berkley Director John Hicks Crucifer
Boys
Jack Cobb Francis Castex William Cobb Robert Jeffreys George Jeffreys
Girls
Marjory Wood Fagan Jeffries Carmichael Jacqueline Campen Sara Copeland Jeffreys Virginia Pugh Jeffreys Mary Hicks  Mildred Lee Betty Michaux Elizabeth Royall Catherine Royall Mary Louise Thomson Hicks
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICE LEAGUE ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH GOLDSBORO, N. C.
Mary Margaret Lynch
Easley Pace, Jr. Vice-President Margaret Royall Secretary
Janet Sanborn Treasurer
Members James Davis Julia Derr
Billy Moye Jerry Derr Harry Hundley Louise Moye Betty Felton
Mrs. J. M. Derr

## Sunday School Organization Teachers and Classes

Rev. George Gresham
Mr. Frank L. Castex, JrSuperintendent
Miss Julia DerrSecretary
Mr. Keith Eutsler Treasurer
Miss Martha Harrison DavisPianist

#### TEACHERS

Kindergarten

Mrs. W. T. Dortch

Miss Ellen Lewis

Primary

Miss Sarah Faulkner

Miss Elizabeth Smith

Miss Martha Harrison Davis

Juniors
Miss Sue Collier M

Miss Bertha Eutsler

Junior High

Mrs. W. O. Cone

Rev. W. O. Cone

Junior Bible Class
Mr. James Smith

Church School Roll

Agrimis, Helen Barbe, Claud Barbe, Felicia Barbe, Robert Beery, Clarence Beery, Wallace Berkley, Bruce Scott, Jr. Bizzell, Janice Borden, F. Kennon, 3d Bunch, James Bunch, Lillian Bunch, William A., Jr. Carmichael, Annie Jeffries Carmichael, Catherine Carraway, Rachel Castex, Francis L., 3d Cobb, John Collier Cobb, William H. Daniels, Clifton, Jr. Davis, James Evans Derr, Jerry Dortch, Hugh, Jr. Eutsler, S. Keith Fagan, Frank F., Jr. Fagan, Marjory Wood Hayward, George S., Jr. Hicks, John Miller Hicks, Mary Smith Hicks, Walter Smith Hicks, William Lawrence Hundley, Harry Jeffreys, Barbara Jane Jeffreys, Elizabeth Grey Jeffreys, George Collins Jeffreys, Irene Marshall

Jeffreys, James Talbot Jeffreys, Mary Ann Jeffreys, Sara Copeland Jeffreys, Thelma Jeffreys, Virginia Pugh Lawyer, Katherine Leary, Allen Tillery, Jr. Leary, Matzy Tillery Lee, Mildred Lee, Sara E. Lee, William Fitzhugh Michaux, Macon Nasekos, Elizabeth Elinor Parks, Bertha Parks, Betsy Parrott, Robert, Jr. Porter, E. Griffith, Jr. Prince, Alma Stevens Roberts, Edward Frank Roberts, John M., Jr. Royall, Elizabeth Royall, Catherine Royall, Kenneth C. Royall, Margaret Best Sineath, Louis Palmer Sineath, William Smith, Wiley Smith, Wiley, Jr. Smith, William Robert Trotman, Joseph Quinton Valoris, Christine George Willoughby, Frances Willoughby, Ophelia Willoughby, Marie Winston, Frances Elizabeth



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#### WILLIAM OSMOND CONE

William Osmond Cone, who became rector of Saint Stephen's in December, 1920, and remained in charge until ill health forced him to resign in March, 1932.

THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH in Wayne County began in the early part of the nineteenth century in the old town of Waynesboro, the former county seat near the Neuse River, and some four or five miles from Goldsboro. Here, at the suggestion of the two daughters of Richard Washington, and with the help of their friends, Geo. W. Collier and a Mr. Hooks, and many other generous contributors of the community, a church was erected which was the common property of the various denominations of the county. The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, who was doing missionary duty in this and the surrounding counties, officiated in this building for about two years. Except for these services, the only Episcopal services held in the town were those of occasional traveling clergymen, or of the Bishop at his annual visitation. Whatever of life and love for the Church there was in Waynesboro was centered in the families of Mr. Richard Washington, and Mrs. Eliza A. Churchill.

In 1848 Goldsboro became the county seat, and Waynesboro, on account of being off the railroad, became a deserted village, whose inhabitants had moved to Goldsboro. The increased number of Episcopalians now demanded more ministrations of the Church and the call of a clergyman to the growing missionary field. Accordingly in 1853, the Rev. A. F. N. Rolfe took charge, holding services in the new court house. He made earnest endeavors to collect funds for the erection of a church. A piece of land was obtained by him near the present site of the church. The old church in Waynesboro was then moved to Goldsboro to form a part of the material for the new building, but none of it was ever used except a small portion for a study, which was to be a nucleus for a rectory.

In December, 1853, the following gentlemen assembled for the purpose of organizing this mission into a parish: Richard Washington, Geo. W. Collier, Daniel Cogdell, Junius B. Whitaker, William A. Williams, Dr. J. D. Battle, Wm. T. Dortch, R. L. Hoskins, John C. McRae, John B. Griswold, E. B. Borden, William A. Strong, George V. Strong. The form of organization required by Canon VII of 1842 was subscribed to, and by the motion of Mr. G. V. Strong the name St. Stephen's Parish was chosen. The following persons were elected vestrymen and trustees: Richard Washington, George W. Collier, Daniel A. Cogdell, William A. Williams, J. B. Whitaker. Of these founders, there remain descendants bearing the same name only of the Collier, Dortch and Borden families.

In 1854 the Rev. Mr. Rolfe moved to Goldsboro, and his salary was fixed at \$300 a year. It was soon decided that a church must be built, so the vestry, after several meetings, voted to build one to cost \$5,000. In January, 1854, Mr. Rolfe was requested to leave the parish to obtain funds for the building of the church, but how long he was absent, or what funds he secured, is not mentioned in any parish record. In September, 1854, the Rev. Mr. Rolfe

resigned and moved to the Diocese of Maryland.

From September, 1854, to July, 1855, the parish was without a rector or any regular services, at which time the Rev. Frederick Fitzgerald became the rector. He was to officiate three Sundays in each month and to receive a salary of \$450 annually. The other Sunday in each month was given to St. Mary's Parish, Kinston.

Mr. Fitzgerald, who was a remarkable man, undertook the project of building the church. The following persons were elected on the building committee: The Rev. Frederick Fitzgerald, Geo. W. Collier, Geo. V. Strong, Wm. A.

Williams.

Mr. Fitzgerald secured the plan of an Early English Gothic Church, which was perfected by Mr. John W. Priest, an architect, of Newburg, N. Y. During 1854 and 1855, the vestry acquired by purchase and gift a piece of land with 170 foot front, on the west side of James Street. On June 17, 1856, the records show that Mr. Willis Hall, for the sum of \$600 deeded to the church, the northeast intersectional corner of James and Mulberry Streets, where the church now stands. It is thought that the \$600 was the price obtained for the lot on the west side of James Street.

There was little money in the parish, but the subscriptions were liberal, the leading spirits in the campaign being the rector and Mr. Geo. W. Collier. Letters were sent to prominent clergy and laity throughout the country, since at this time there was no well-organized central method of church extension. The campaign inaugurated by Mr. Fitzgerald, asking everyone receiving an appeal to send one dollar, met with great success. While hundreds replied with this contribution, many sent sums from ten to one hundred dollars. Among the names of these subscribers, which are carefully preserved in Mr. Fitzgerald's precise records, were several who became bishops: Cheshire Coxe, Seymour, Clarkson, Bedell, Wilmer, Watson and Littlejohn.

The first ground was broken on the 8th of August, 1856, and on August 27 the cornerstone was laid. The work progressed slowly, but without any serious interruption, and with the daily, almost hourly, supervision of the rector. Regular services were held three Sundays each month in the court house, which were attended by large congregations. At times during the absence of the rector, the Rev. Daniel Morrell, deacon, who taught in a school in the town, officiated. In Bishop Atkinson's annual address, published in the Diocesan Journal, 1856, the follow-

ing statement is made:

"May 11th, at Goldsborough, I preached morning and evening, administered the Holy Communion and confirmed five persons. These services were celebrated in a new church just erected by the Presbyterians, to whose kindness we were indebted for the use of it, even in advance of the performance of any of their own services in it."

The church, which is of beautiful fifteenth century English Gothic design, was finished in May, 1857. It is of brick, with granite sills, being roofed with trusses of native heart pine, and as an artistic creation has no rival in East Carolina. The cost of the church, without the tower, was

about \$8,500.

On Saturday night, May 2, 1857, the church was first opened for services and was filled to overflowing. The by the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. Thos. Atkinson, on the subject "Eternal Punishment."

The next day, May 3, 1857, the third Sunday after Easter, was the long-hoped-for and long-prayed-for day when full services were held. The weather was beautiful and the congregation as large as the church could hold. The walls were not plastered, nor were the pews and the gallery finished, but by means of chairs and benches the congregation was well seated. The service was read by the rector, and the sermon on "Justification by Faith," was by Bishop Atkinson. The Holy Communion was administered, and two ladies, Mrs. J. A. Washington and Mrs. J. W. Higgs, were baptized. A service was also held at night and a sermon was preached by the Bishop on the "Apostolic Distriction". Rite of Confirmation." The persons baptized in the morning were confirmed at this time. Of this service the rector, the Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald, says in the parish register:

"Not a few wept tears of joy on this day of great things to this young and feeble parish, which now possessed so beautiful a house in which to praise and glorify the King of Heaven; a house that had been builded not without labors and agonies of tears, and strong crying unto God."

From this time regular services were held in the church, except during an interruption of six weeks when the court house was again used, in order that the walls might be plastered. To quote Mr. Fitzgerald again:

"As means could be obtained, improvements were constantly made towards bringing the church to its present state of completion. With the prosperity of the material edifice, the spiritual house also gradually and healthily grew in dimensions and vigor."

In 1858, at the Diocesan Convention held in Edenton, it was resolved to hold the next convention in St. Stephen's Church, Goldsboro. Therefore the year was one of great labor and preparation. The chancel furniture, pews and

carpets were made ready for this important event.

This convention began its sessions in St. Stephen's Church on Wednesday, May 4, 1859, and adjourned on Monday, May 9. The convention was one of great harmony and usefulness. At this time the Constitution and Canons of the Church in the State of North Carolina were adopted.

The attendance of clergy and laity was large, and all expressed great satisfaction at the cordial hospitality shown.

On May 8, 1859, the church had been finished and paid for, and the consecration service took place. The following account appeared in the Journal of the Con-

vention:

"On Sunday, May 8, 1859, St. Stephen's Church, Goldsboro, was consecrated to the service of Almighty God, by the Rt. Rev. Thos. Atkinson. Morning prayer was said by the Rev. J. B. Cheshire, assisted by the Rev. W. E. Snowden. A sermon was preached by the Rev. A. A. Watson. After this, Maurice H. Vaughn was ordained deacon. The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. R. S. Mason, and the Rev. Frederick Fitzgerald to the clergy; and by the Rev. Messrs. Geer, Buxton, Keer, Hodges, Watson and Mott, to a large number of the

laity.

"The offertory of \$118 was appropriated to the church at Goldsboro. The deed of consecration was

read by the rector.

"At the evening service prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Huske, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Watson; Rev. Messrs. Davenport and Hodges reading the les-sons. The Rev. G. B. Watson delivered the sermon on behalf of the Missionary Society. A collection of about \$100 was made. During the service Mrs. W. T. Dortch was baptized by the rector, and seven persons were confirmed.

Mr. Fitzgerald states in the parish register that the most generous patrons in the building of the church were Major Geo. W. Collier and Mr. Richard Washington. The bell also was the gift of the latter. Mr. Fitzgerald adds, "As is usual, the energy and devotion of the women of the parish aided greatly to the consummation of this work."

For two years Mr. Fitzgerald's health had been failing, and since the building of the church was completed he thought it necessary to seek another home. On the 15th of June, 1859, he moved with his family to Raleigh. For nearly a year, at the request of the vestry, Mr. Fitzgerald continued to hold services in Goldsboro three Sundays each month. Unable to continue this double duty, Mr. Fitzgerald resigned from St. Stephen's, April 22, 1860, and gave up the work with the greatest sorrow.

On a tablet in the chancel of St. Stephen's Church is

the following inscription:

In Memory of Rev. Frederick Fitzgerald During Whose Rectorate 1856-1860 and by Whose Efforts This Church Was Erected.

From 1853 until the present year, 1933 a period of eighty years, St. Stephen's, Goldsboro, N. C., has been faithfully and devotedly served by eighteen rectors, each of whom has left his mark on the spiritual and material history of the parish.

The Rev. A. F. N. Rolfe was the first clergyman to be

identified with the parish, coming in 1853 and remaining until September 21, 1854, when he resigned and moved to

the Diocese of Maryland.

After the lapse of almost a year without the services of a rector, the Rev. Frederick Fitzgerald, a very able and remarkable clergyman, accepted a call to the parish July, 1855. After four years, characterized by zealous abors and a wealth of accomplishment, Mr. Fitzgerald left St. Stephen's on June 15, 1859, to become associate rector of St. Mary's School, Raleigh, N. C., with the Rev. Dr. Albert Smedes. The events of Mr. Fitzgerald's rectorate, which he so meticulously recorded in the church register, furnish valuable and interesting information into the history of our beloved church. No other was more closely identified with its early life and spiritual advancement.

Mr. Fitzgerald was succeeded by Rev. W. C. Hunter,

Mr. Fitzgerald was succeeded by Rev. W. C. Hunter, another able rector, who remained through all the troublous period of the war between the States. He wrote a history of the parish in war times, but this record has unfortunately been lost. Among the notable events of his rectorate was the visit of a company of Union officers on the Sunday before Johnston's surrender. Finding that no offering was taken at the service because of impoverished conditions, the commanding general summoned Mr. Hunter to his headquarters and presented him with a considerable purse which he had raised for that purpose among the soldiers.

Owing to the precautions taken by General Schofield, St. Stephen's was unmolested during the time when the armies were passing through Goldsboro. Mr. Hunter came to St. Stephen's from New Bern and while serving the parish married Anne Griswold, daughter of James Griswold. Mr. Hunter remained at St. Stephen's from January, 1861, until November, 1867, when he accepted a call to

Columbus, Ga.

The Rev. George W. Stickney accepted the invitation of the vestry to the rectorship on June 1, 1868, but spent only one year in the parish. Mr. Stickney recorded in the church register that "There is an interested, energetic congregation in attendance and a disposition to maintain the ministrations of the rector, with such support as the distressed financial conditions of the community will permit." Mr. Stickney held services on the first Sunday in each month at St. Paul's, Clinton, N. C., giving the other three to his parish.

From the time of Mr. Stickney's resignation in June, 1869, until December of that year, the parish was without a rector. Occasional services were rendered by the Rev. Edward Forbes and the Rev. Mr. Gordon of New Bern.

On December 12, 1869, the Rev. J. Worrall Lamour, of the Diocese of Maryland, entered upon his duties as rector. Mr. Lamour married Mary Griswold, a daughter of Mrs. Sarah Griswold, while in Goldsboro. After a service of eleven years, Mr. Lamour tendered his resignation in February, 1881, to become assistant minister of Trinity Cathedral in Eastern Maryland. Mr. Lamour very graciously summarized his life at St. Stephen's and voiced a very beautiful prayer for its advancement in the following statement:

"During the eleven years of my rectorship I received nothing but kindness at the hands of this people and I leave them with unfeigned regret. May God ever visit them with His love and favor and drive from them all assaults of the enemy. May He ever be with them to keep them in peace and safety and may His blessing rest upon them always. Amen."

The Rev. George W. Dame, of Baltimore, Md., served the parish from 1881 to 1883. He was greatly beloved by his parishioners and his return to Maryland was a source of much regret. Mr. Dame and Dr. Drane of Edenton are the only two surviving clergymen who attended the convention in New Bern in 1883, at which time the Diocese of East Carolina was organized. Mr. Dame plans to be present for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of this notable occasion, which will be held in New Bern on May 16 and 17.

From September, 1884, until July, 1890, the Rev. James M. Hillyar, an Englishman, was rector of St. Stephen's. Mr. Hillyar came to the parish from the Diocese of Massachusetts and was instituted as priest on October 23 by Bishop Alfred A. Watson, assisted by Rev. George Patterson and Rev. E. N. Joyner. During his incumbency, in 1886, the tower was completed. This accomplishment was largely due to the inspiration and efforts of Mrs. Annie Dortch Hill and Mrs. Mariah Cobb Smith. Besides his duties at Goldsboro, Mr. Hillyar had charge of a mission at Faison. Upon leaving St. Stephen's, Mr. Hillyar went to Corsicana, Texas.

As eighth rector St. Stephen's had the Rev. Charles London Arnold. While serving the parish only from 1890 to 1891, Mr. Arnold made a lasting impression because of his richness of intellect and great benevolence. From St. Stephen's, Mr. Arnold went to Detroit, where he remained until his death in 1925. He founded in Detroit the Arnold Home for the Aged, of which his daughter is now president.

Rev. Charles Hoffman of Western Carolina succeeded Mr. Arnold, remaining at St. Stephen's from 1892 to 1894.

The parish had as its tenth rector Rev. Stewart Mc-Queen of Alabama. Mr. McQueen and his family were the first to occupy the rectory. For a period of many years previous to this time, persistent efforts to obtain funds for the erection of a rectory had been made by many of the parishioners and the culmination of their labors and the realization of their aspiration was highly gratifying. To a society of ladies known as the Endeavor Society belongs much credit for the fulfillment of this project. The president of the Endeavor Society at that time was Miss Lucy Miller, who has given unselfishly and freely of her time, energy and devotion to St. Stephen's and continues to work lovally for its advancement.

The Rev. William Fletcher Loveless came to the parish in the summer of 1898. Almost at the beginning of his labors, he was stricken with typhoid fever which proved fatal. He died at the home of Mr. John Hill, where loving friends had nursed him tenderly during his distressing illness. A tablet to his memory in the chancel of St.

Stephen's bears this inscription:

"In Loving Memory of Rev. William Fletcher Loveless,
Nov. 24, 1873—Sept. 25, 1898.
Ordained Priest March 25, 1898
Who Was Faithful to Him
That Appointed Him
But Now Hath He Obtained
A More Excellent Ministry
To Minister Unto Him Forever."

In 1899 the Rev. Grant Paul Sommerville assumed the duties at St. Stephen's. Mr. Sommerville was a man of brilliant intellect and this attribute was reflected in the excellent quality of his sermons. In 1902 he left Goldsboro

and returned to the north.

St. Stephen's was privileged to have as its thirteenth rector Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsefield, a truly Christian gentleman who was greatly beloved. Mr. Horsefield came to Goldsboro from New York State. In 1907 he left to become rector of St. Stephen's, Oxford, N. C., where he remained many years. His son, Jeoffrey, entered the ministry and was at one time in charge of the church at Oxford.

Mr. Horsefield was succeeded by Rev. J. Gillmer Buskie, from Portsmouth, Va. Mr. Buskie served the parish faithfully from January 1, 1909, to September 1, 1910,

at which time he departed for Baton Rouge, La.

The Rev. John Hollowell Dickinson came to the parish from the Church of the Holy Comforter, Richmond, Va. Mr. Dickinson is remembered as a most lovable person as well as a tireless worker. Under his leadership the mission at Pikeville had its beginning and his enthusiasm and zeal did much to foster its growth. Mr. Dickinson's rectorship dates from 1911 to 1915, at which time he accepted a call to Hazeltown, Pa.

From October, 1915, until 1917, the Rev. John Maxwell Robeson of Virginia was rector. Mr. Robeson carried forward the mission work at Pikeville, begun by Mr. Dickinson, being ably supported in this work by Mr. George

C. Royall.

During the World War he entered the army as chaplain of the third regiment and was severely gassed while in

action.

Mr. Robeson was followed by Rev. Jacob Haller Gibbony of Wytheville, Va. While at St. Stephen's Mr. Gibbony served as editor of the Mission Herald. He remained at St. Stephen's from October 1, 1917, until August 1, 1920. He is at present rector at Tappahanock, Va.

Rev. William Osmond Cone became eighteenth rector of St. Stephen's Church December 15, 1920, remaining in charge until March, 1932, when illness forced him to resign. Mr. Cone came to the parish from St. John's Cathedral,

Quincy, Ill.

Many notable achievements mark Mr. Cone's years of service, probably the most outstanding being the erection of a church at Pikeville. The land on which the church was built was donated by the late Col. Wiley Fort, a large landowner of the Pikeville section. The project was aided by gifts from the Graham Fund, the Church Building Fund, and other sources, together with an immense amount of

work by Mr. Robert Eatman, a regular attendant at the services, but not a member of the mission. Mr. George C. Royall was an influential friend and helper of the mission from its beginning and did much to aid Mr. Cone toward the ultimate success of the undertaking.

Numerous improvements were made at St. Stephen's while Mr. Cone so ably served us. Three superb windows were placed in the west end of the church in memory of Mrs. Ernest Dewey, a lifelong and devoted member of St. Stephen's. The small parish house was much improved and

enlarged as a memorial to Mrs. Wm. S. Royall.

Mr. Cone's rectorate, the longest in the history of our church, covered a period of twelve years and its influence upon the harmonious development of the parish will ever remain. Through his tolerance, his broad outlook and his humbleness, Mr. Cone has endeared himself, not only to his parishioners but to all creeds and sects of our community. As a man endowed with unusual intellectual ability, he has actively served both his parish and his community in its various activities.

It is fitting that we mention here some of the prominent women of the parish who gave so generously of their efforts and love for the church and who during Mr. Cone's rectorate have passed on to a richer reward. Chief among these are: Miss Corinne Dortch, Mrs. Ernest Dewey, Mrs. Ben King, Mrs. Z. M. L. Jeffreys, Mrs. B. B. Hill and Mrs. P. V. Bumgardner. These Christian characters offer

a stimulus and an abiding zeal and devotion.

The Rev. George Seddon Gresham accepted the vestry's call to St. Stephen's in October, 1932, coming to us from the Church of the Ascension, Norfolk, Va.

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On Rogation Sunday, 1929, Bishop Darst visited Saint Stephen's Parish, Goldsboro, and in the afternoon held the first service in the nearly completed mission church which was begun five years ago at Pikeville. The mission originated in an interesting circumstance, an instance of the sort of personal evangelism which our bishop has so earnestly commended by word and example. In February of 1914, Mrs. Frank Hosea, a member of Saint Stephen's, asked the rector, Rev. J. H. Dickinson, to visit her husband's brother, Charles Hosea, at Pikeville. Charles was dying of tuberculosis. The visit resulted in his baptism, and shortly thereafter the Bishop confirmed several members of the family, including his aged mother, Mrs. Mary Hosea, who has lived to attend the opening of the new

church in her 90th year.

Mr. Dickinson began to hold services every Sunday evening in the Pikeville school house, which was used by him and his successors for several years. When the school was removed the Methodist congregation kindly lent their church which was used for some time. About 1925 Colonel Wiley Fort, a large land holder, gave an acre of land in a beautiful pine grove on the edge of the village where the church now stands. During that year the construction of the church was begun from plans drawn by a very clever architect, Mr. Bernard Alves, a churchman who lived for a while in Goldsboro. The project was aided by gifts from the Graham fund and other sources, together with an immense amount of work by Mr. Robert Eatman, a regular attendant at the services but not a member of the mission. Early in 1929 the building was finally completed. Among those who materially helped by interest and subscriptions were Mr. George C. Royall, who has always been vitally interested in the mission, and Dr. Cooper Person of Pikeville, a communicant and member of the mission congregation.

The chapel is beautiful and thoroughly equipped for worship. The altar and altar ornaments are memorials to Mr. Frank Hosea, who died in 1928. He was a faithful member of the mission. The remaining debt on the building was paid off this year by a generous gift from the

Church Building Fund of the National Church,

The rector of Saint Stephen's Church, Goldsboro, holds services on the second and fourth Sundays of the month which have been well attended, and there is a well grounded hope that the work of the Church will prosper in this community.

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